

UMPIRES NAME DR. CREAMER

GIANTS' PHYSICIAN LAST YEAR INVOLVED IN BRIBERY CHARGES

He Declares That He Is the Victim of a Conspiracy—Umpire Klem's Affidavit Sets Forth That \$2,500 Was Offered to Him to Throw the Chicago Game.

According to an official bulletin received by all organized baseball clubs, including the New York Nationals, the New York Americans and the Brooklyn, the much discussed man who tried to bribe Umpire Klem and Johnstone to throw the deciding game at the Polo Grounds last fall between the Chicago Cubs and the Giants to the latter team is Dr. Joseph M. Creamer of this city.

The bulletin, which was received here yesterday from the National Baseball Commission, contained orders to deny admission to league grounds to Dr. Creamer on the ground that he had been found guilty of the charges lodged by the umpires with President H. C. Pulliam of the National League. The Giants' regular physician last season bore the above name, and Umpire Johnstone and Klem in their affidavits which are filed with the commission set forth that they were approached by the same individual.

Dr. Creamer was asked about the matter yesterday, emphatically denied that he was the guilty man, but could not explain why the two umpires had identified him positively in their affidavits. He said it looked like a conspiracy to ruin him, and while denying the charges again and again his friends said that he had been used as a tool and had been deserted by the real conspirators—said to be three members of the New York team. The affidavits of Umpire Klem and Johnstone tell a remarkable story. The one signed by Klem is particularly sensational. According to authentic information, it sets forth that just before the final play off game between the Cubs and the Giants at the Polo Grounds, "a man named Dr. Creamer, the official physician of the Giants," met Klem under the grand stand at the Polo Grounds, that the said Creamer, holding a bunch of greenbacks in his right hand, said to Klem: "Here's twenty-five hundred dollars which is yours if you will give all the close decisions to the Giants and see that they win sure. You know who is behind me and you needn't be afraid of anything. You will have a good job the rest of your life."

In the affidavit Klem declares that Creamer mentioned the name of a well known politician, who by the way does not know Creamer except in a casual way. Klem concludes by describing how he turned the alleged bribe down and proceeded to give the facts to President Pulliam.

While Dr. Creamer denied that he was the guilty man, the facts relating to his engagement by the New York club leaked out yesterday. It appears that John T. Brush, president of the New York club, did not know that Creamer was the team's physician until the latter presented a bill of \$2,500 for his services last fall. Brush, it is said, did not even know Creamer personally and upon the receipt of the bill he refused to make a payment and promptly instituted an investigation.

It developed, according to excellent authority, that Creamer, who during the early part of last summer was a warm admirer of the Giants and a close friend of McGraw, expressed a desire to spend his vacation on a Western trip with the team. He was invited to go along as the guest of the New York club by Secretary Fred Knowles. After a while McGraw asked Creamer to attend to Pitcher Ames, who was suffering from illness, and in time other players on the hospital list were turned over to him. As Knowles admitted to Brush that he had invited Creamer to go on the road with the Giants and as McGraw also informed Brush that he had engaged the doctor to look after the disabled players, Creamer received the full amount of his bill, but Brush, it is said, gave orders that he was not to be reengaged.

Brush, when he heard of the bribery charges implicating Creamer, was naturally stirred up. It is said, and when he was called before the National League magnates last December to explain the New York club's version of the trouble it is said that he promptly disclaimed all knowledge of Creamer and shifted the entire responsibility upon Secretary Knowles, who, Brush is said to have told the other club owners, would not be retained in the employ of the club. To carry out his plan therefore Brush, it is declared, tried to remove Knowles, who appealed to the board of directors, from whom Brush said he purchased the New York club about seven years ago.

Whether this was so or not, it is hard to say, but the fact remains that Knowles made a hurried trip to Palm Beach, Fla., where Richard Croker and Freedman were together. Knowles came back and resumed his duties, but his friends say that Brush has greatly curtailed his authority. Knowles is in partnership with McGraw in a billiard room on Sixth avenue near Thirty-fourth street.

Through both major league circuits details of this scandal are being circulated, including a positive assertion that the \$2,500 which Umpire Klem alleges was offered to him by Creamer, belonged to three members of the New York team who wanted to make it a sure thing that the Giants would get into the world's series with the Detroit, and thereby secure a part of the large gate receipts.

If this assertion is true there is only one man to prove it, the man who approached Klem with the money in his hand. Creamer, meanwhile, says he was not this man and refuses to admit even that he ever spoke a word in his life to either Klem or Johnstone.

Creamer is well known in sporting circles. He has been the official physician for many boxing clubs and pugilists, also acting in that capacity at the six day bicycle races and the Marathon races. He is an athlete, standing nearly six feet in his socks and weighing 200 pounds. He has been a resident of the East Side for many years and has always borne an excellent reputation. He is unmarried and has enjoyed a wide medical practice. His friends were urging him yesterday to admit the truth of the charges—if there is any truth in them to admit—and to let the baseball public know who the persons were that asked him to give money to the umpires.

It is true that three players put up the money it would not take long to bar them from professional baseball forever, it was denied last night. When asked if Creamer would be barred from American League Park on the grounds of the Highlanders said yesterday:

"We will obey the orders of the National Commission."

Creamer was much excited when told that he had been named by the commission.

"It is a job to ruin me," he said, "I

never saw Klem or Johnstone to speak to that day or any other day. I did not go outside of the grand stand to meet them before the game in question, and I never tried to bribe anybody in my life. I have not decided what I shall do yet, but I have been advised to seek legal redress. I acted as the Giants' physician at the request of McGraw, and I received payment for my services. Yes, my bill was about \$2,500, and it is true that Brush did not want to pay it at first. I earned the money legitimately and was on duty every day and gave up much of my valuable time. I have been interested in sports for nearly twenty years and nobody has ever accused me of wrongdoing before. I cannot understand why the umpires have mixed me up in this unless it is a conspiracy of some kind."

FOR A FREER SUNDAY.

Liberal League Begins Its Campaign With a Carnegie Hall Meeting.

The Liberal Sunday League, organized about six weeks ago to advocate laws making Sunday a legal holiday, held its first public rally last night at Carnegie Hall. The league is non-partisan and non-sectarian, and it advocates the opening on Sunday of public libraries, museums, art galleries, swimming baths and play and recreation grounds. The board of governors has voted to support the bill now before the State Legislature which provides for the opening of saloons on Sunday from 1 to 11 P. M.

Gen. John T. Cutting presided at the meeting. Here are some of the things he said:

It is just as unconstitutional to force the Bible into the public school as to force the Koran into the public school. It is unconstitutional to make any law that in any way forces upon the people the first day of the week as a theological day or as a day of worship.

It is just as unconstitutional to use public money in teaching Hebrew children the divinity of Christ as to use public money in teaching Christian children the divinity of Mohammed.

On the subject of saloons Gen. Cutting declared that "as long as they remain with us I would keep them closed on Sunday until 1 o'clock and would have them closed again at 11 o'clock in the evening, but I am very firm in my opinion that the back rooms and upstairs rooms of the disorderly houses legalized dens of iniquity should be closed all day and all night every day of the week."

Edward Lauterbach grew very warm in advocating the repeal of all laws which in any way restricted the liberty of persons in doing anything they desired on Sunday so long as they did not violate the rights of others or make themselves generally obnoxious.

Mr. Lauterbach also put in a plea for the Jews. "Now to-day," said the lawyer, "these anti-semitic synagogues open throughout this country and these are religious attendants and those who believe in the letter and the spirit of their religion, and they attended their synagogues without molestation, without interference. . . . What is to prevent to-morrow from being indulged in in precisely the same way by those who believe in the tenets of Sunday instead of Saturday? Why shall not the thousands of churches in this great New York be visited without molestation, without the adjunct of laws that are unnecessary and unjust, that deprive other citizens of their rights—citizens who have no desire to interfere with the activity of the Sabbath or the proper exercise of the religious feelings of those who to-morrow shall attend their churches?"

Other speakers were ex-Assemblyman Cyrus B. Gale of Brooklyn, Frank L. Dyer, president of the Edison Phonograph Company, and Dr. Ernest Richard of Columbus.

CONVICTED OF GRAFTING.

Supervisor Swannett of Oneida County Found Guilty.

Utica, April 24.—Supervisor Frederick Swannett, chairman of the Republican county committee, was found guilty to-day of grafting from funds of Oneida county. He is in jail and will be sentenced Monday. The verdict of the jury shaves the charge of first degree grand larceny in the indictment to grand larceny in the second degree, and the extreme penalty for that offense is confinement in a State prison for five years. It required eighteen hours for the jury to agree upon its verdict.

Justice Andrews delivered Swannett to the personal custody of Sheriff Gilmore. The prisoner left the court room in company with the Sheriff and was taken to the jail in Bleeker street. The term was then adjourned until Monday morning.

Swannett to-night resigned as Supervisor of the Third ward after holding the office thirteen years. District Attorney Willis said that he would immediately move either the trial of John Collins, formerly of Cox & Collins, for perjury or the trial of Clerk Vandewalker of the Board of Supervisors for grand larceny.

The trial of John W. Potter, former Democratic State committeeman from Oneida county, who has been indicted in connection with the graft scandal, has been put over for the term, Potomac, Maryland.

SHOOTING HIMSELF AT FORT.

Corporal in Hospital at Wadsworth—The Shooting Unexplained.

Corporal Owen Sullivan of the Fifty-third United States Coast Artillery shot himself while on guard at Fort Wadsworth yesterday. Whether the shooting was accidental or intentional is not known. Friends of the man say that he had been complaining recently of stomach trouble and that before going on guard shortly before noon yesterday he felt that he felt ill. He is in the Reservation Hospital in a serious condition. He is 27 years old. It is understood that he comes from the South.

Sullivan went on guard yesterday and his post was along the waterfront. Soon after noon a shot was heard from the direction of Sullivan's post and several of the guard rushed to the spot. They found Sullivan lying in blood, with a bullet wound in his mouth, and his rifle, with one chamber empty, lying beside him. He was unconscious.

The guards picked the corporal up and carried him to the hospital, but it is said that all efforts to revive him have been futile.

Information about the shooting was denied at the fort. Neither the police nor the coroner could be reached for comment last night. The coroner said he had not been asked to take the ante-mortem statement of the wounded soldier, and he added that it was well known that the civil authorities were called in when there was any accident at the fort and he was not surprised that he had not been notified in this instance.

Some friends of the soldier said that the only reason they knew why Sullivan should shoot himself with suicidal intent was that he had been sick.

Unlucky City Hall Bride.

Mrs. Anna Javens, who was married to Sheridan Javens at the City Hall on December 11 last, got an interlocutory decree of divorce yesterday, which was granted by Supreme Court Justice True.

On the basis of testimony that Javens beat his wife on their wedding night and kept it up for six days afterward.

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SMITHSONIAN OUTFIT LOST AT MOMBASA.

Ex-President Raises Stars and Stripes at Kapit Plains—Enthusiastic Over African Game and Scenery—To Be Guest at Sir Alfred Pease's Ranch.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, April 24.—Col. Roosevelt's first night under canvas in the African hunting ground was uneventful. His camp, consisting of about seventy tents, is pitched near the railroad station at Kapit Plains, in British East Africa.

It is uncertain just how long Col. Roosevelt and his party will remain in camp at Kapit Plains. The ex-President is desirous of getting his big caravan on the move for Sir Alfred Pease's ranch on the Athi River as soon as possible, but he is being held back through the loss of some of the baggage sent by the Smithsonian Institution. The baggage is supposed to have been left at Mombasa, and there will probably be a delay of at least two or three days.

Col. Roosevelt has forbidden all members of his party to disclose the programme of his future movements, and he will have the help of acting Governor Jackson, who accompanied him from Mombasa, in seeing that privacy is secured. The acting Governor will go so far, it is said, as to turn back forcibly any person who attempts to follow the Roosevelt expedition.

The acting Governor of the Protectorate is already having trouble with English correspondents for allowing only American newspaper representatives and the correspondents of one English news agency to accompany the Roosevelt special train from Mombasa to Kapit Plains. The Mombasa Standard published a particularly bitter attack upon both the Governor and Mr. Roosevelt for this action, and it is said that an attempt will be made to get the imperial Government to demand an explanation of the discrimination from the acting Governor.

The site of the Roosevelt camp at Kapit Plains was selected by the ex-President himself. He arrived in Kapit Plains at 1:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon. On the trip from Mombasa he spent a large part of his time riding on a platform over the cowcatcher of the locomotive. With him were the acting Governor and P. C. Selous, the well known African hunter. Kermit Roosevelt and the rest of the party rode on top of one of the cars. All were on the lookout for game, and they saw plenty of it. Many zebras, wild bucks and ostriches were sighted. Near Sultan Hamud the ex-President had his first glimpse of a wild rhinoceros. The driver of the engine had orders to stop the train if a lion was sighted, but neither Mr. Roosevelt nor his son had an opportunity to do any lion hunting.

The Roosevelt camp contains 200 followers. Nearly all of these are coolies. There are thirteen tents in the camp for the Europeans and their horses and sixty for the porters. Floating from the pole of the ex-President's tent are the Stars and Stripes, which were raised by Col. Roosevelt himself after he had marshalled his big force of coolies in review before the tent. These same coolies were drawn up on the station platform as the Roosevelt special train pulled in. Col. Roosevelt acknowledged their shout by raising his hat. Sir Alfred Pease, whose ranch the ex-President will visit first, is with Mr. Roosevelt in the Kapit Plains camp. Mr. Roosevelt, dressed in a khaki suit and white helmet, was in the best of spirits after his arrival at Kapit Plains. He was enthusiastic over the appearance of the country, the game he had seen and the imposing grandeur of the snow capped peak of Mount Kilimanjaro.

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Mr. Brown is a native American, sometimes resenting with a touch of acerbity the inference, because of his connection with a British line, that he is an Englishman. He was brought up in Boston and went into business with his father under the name of Vernon H. Brown & Son. That was in the day of wooden ships. When steam succeeded sail Mr. Brown came to this city and established the firm of Vernon H. Brown & Co. His knowledge of the shipping trade prompted the Cunard company to offer him the New York management of the business. Mr. Brown is past 70 years of age, but is very active and will continue attending to his other interests.

FAMILY ACCUSED OF THEFT.

Three Generations, Including a Baby, in a Shoplifting Roundup.

Three generations were represented in a family group of four persons taken in charge by the police yesterday because three of the four were charged with shoplifting in a Sixth avenue department store. The prisoners are Mrs. Minnie Weiss of 64 Franklin street, Jersey City; Mrs. Rosie Faerber, her daughter, who lives at 247 Central avenue, Jersey City; and Virginia Weiss, Mrs. Faerber's sister. With them was a baby carried by Mrs. Faerber.

Mary Walsh, a store detective, followed the family about the store and arrested all but the baby. The following assortment of goods was found on the prisoners: Two babies' hats, three babies' caps, one pair of stockings (adult), two scarfs, one pair of cuff links, one veil, four women's collars, six pins, two waists, two babies' coats, one dress gumpie and two dolls.

The mother and baby were sent to the House of Detention, Mrs. Weiss to the Mercer street station and Virginia Weiss to the Children's society.

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West Twenty-third Street

"BORROWED" MARKED BILLS.

Two Central Office Men Indicted for Extortion.

William B. Mott and William J. O'Brien, the two Central Office detectives who were caught on April 10 with marked money in their pockets, were indicted yesterday by the Grand Jury on a charge of attempted extortion and held in \$1,500 bail each by Judge Swann of General Sessions.

The indictments are based on the testimony of Nathan Ballard of 320 West Forty-fourth street. Ballard and William Freedman of 244 West Seventy-fourth street were arrested by the detectives on April 6. They were charged with "pushing and jostling pedestrians in a

uspicious manner." According to Ballard the detectives while taking him and his friend to the Tombs police court suggested that the case could be "fixed" for \$25. Ballard says that he agreed to pay. The prisoners were discharged in the police court.

Ballard told Assistant District Attorney Nott about the alleged arrangement and three marked \$10 bills were given to him to hand over to O'Brien and Mott. The money was passed over in a saloon at Sixth avenue and Twenty-eighth street and O'Brien and Mott were as once arrested by two of Inspector Schmittberger's men.

Since then the detectives have been out on bail. They were in the Tombs police court yesterday when arrested on the indictment. O'Brien and Mott say that they "borrowed" the money from Ballard to use as bait to catch a sure thing man.